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*Mortality—Yellow fever death in Panama.*

During the week ended September 18, 1904, 8 deaths occurred in Colon. The causes given below are taken from the official records of the local authorities: Fevers, 3; heart disease, 1; disease of stomach, 1; dropsy, 1; worms, 1; eczema, 1.

I have been officially notified by Asst. Surg. C. C. Pierce, through the chief quarantine officer, that a death from yellow fever occurred in the Ancon Hospital on September 11, the diagnosis being confirmed by a necropsy. The man who died was an Italian, who had lived three and one-half months in the city of Panama, and was taken sick in a house situated 50 meters from the case of yellow fever reported on August 1, and a square and one-half from the case reported July 18.

*Report from Bocos del Toro, fruit port.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Osterhout reports as follows: Week ended September 22, 1904. Present officially estimated population not obtainable; number of deaths, 4; prevailing diseases, malarial fever; general sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, good.

Bills of health were issued to the following-named vessels:

Date.	Vessel.	Destination.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.	Pieces of baggage.
Sept. 16	Fort Gaines .....	Mobile, Ala. ....	22	1	0	1
16	George Dumois .....	do .....	17	0	0	0
18	Mount Vernon .....	New Orleans, La..	21	1	0	3
18	Fredericka Schepp .....	Colon .....	9	1	0	1
19	Intrepid .....	do .....	7	0	0	(a)
22	Brewster .....	New Orleans, La..	34	2	0	3
22	Fort Morgan .....	Mobile, Ala. ....	23	1	0	2

a Not inspected.

The passenger per American brigantine *Fredericka Schepp* to Colon was certified to on United States consular bill of health.

## PERU.

*Reports from Callao—Inspection and fumigation of vessels—Plague at Lima and in Peruvian ports—Destruction of rats.*

Assistant Surgeon Lloyd reports, September 1 and 5, as follows:

During the week ended August 20 there were 9 new cases of plague in Lima, with 4 deaths; 3 patients were discharged, and 25 remain under treatment. Two vessels were fumigated to kill vermin, 232 persons were inspected, and 481 pieces of baggage disinfected. No new cases of plague reported from Callao. The work of disinfection, killing of rats, mice, and guinea pigs, stopping of rat holes, etc., continues.

Incomplete reports from Payta give 4 new cases and 4 deaths; Salaverry, 2 new cases and 2 deaths, 12 cases remaining under treatment.

*Suspicious sickness at Arica, Chile—Rats dying in Peruvian ports.*

During the week ended August 27, there were 5 new cases of plague in Lima, with 2 deaths. Six patients have been discharged, and there are 24 remaining under treatment. One vessel was fumigated to kill vermin, 207 persons were inspected, and 503 pieces of

baggage disinfected. Rats continue to die in Eten, Salaverry, Trujillo, Lima, and Callao. Suspicious illness continues in Arica. At the suggestion of Doctor Carter, vaccination has been discontinued except when requested. Peruvian authorities are fumigating outgoing vessels which call at Peruvian ports.

*Plague at Callao—Plague officially reported at Arica, Chile.*

During the week ended September 3 there were 8 new cases of plague in Lima, with 2 deaths; 6 patients have been discharged as cured, 24 remaining under treatment.

One new case of plague occurred in Callao, there now being 2 cases in the lazaretto here. Thirty-three deaths from all causes (population, 28,000) are reported for the week, but causes of death are not given in the weekly report.

In Salaverry 8 cases of plague remain under treatment.

In Payta 11 cases remain under treatment.

In Arica plague is now officially admitted to be present.

In San Pedro 3 cases and 3 deaths are reported.

In Eten 3 cases and 2 deaths are reported. These cases are not directly in the port of Eten.

In Chiclayo 2 cases and 1 death are given for the week.

There is an epidemic of influenza at present in Lima and Callao, and also in several other cities in Peru.

One vessel was fumigated to kill vermin; 157 persons were inspected, and 519 pieces of baggage were disinfected.

A man from Cerro de Pasco came into the office this morning asking for a certificate of health and a permit to embark for Panama. He was suffering from varioloid in the eruptive stage. The case was reported to the local authorities.

PORTO RICO.

*Report from San Juan—Quarantine transactions, month of August, 1904—Vital statistics.*

Chief Quarantine Officer King reports, September 19, as follows:

*San Juan.*

Vessels inspected.....	19
Bills of health issued .....	25
Persons detained in quarantine.....	6
Vessels detained in quarantine .....	3

The vessels were the Red D Line steamships *Caracas* and *Philadelphia* which arrived at this port from Puerto Cabello, La Guaira, and Curaçoa on August 10 and 24, respectively, and the Spanish steamship *Buenos Aires* from Central and South American ports, which touched at this port on August 21.

There were no quarantinable diseases reported in this district during the month of August.

The following reports show the transactions at the subports:

*Mayaguez*.—Vessels inspected, 5; bills of health issued, 8.

*Arecibo*.—Vessels inspected, 1; bills of health issued, 2.

*Humacao*.—Vessels inspected, 1; bills of health issued, 3.

*Aguadilla*.—Vessels inspected, 0; bills of health issued, 1.

*Fajardo*.—Vessels inspected, 6; bills of health issued, 8.

*Arroyo*.—Vessels inspected, 0; bills of health issued, 0.